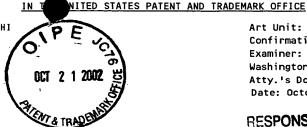


In re Application of: Yuzo KIKUCHI

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RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE **EXAMINING GROUP**

THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS Washington, D.C. 20231

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Transmitted herewith is an [] Amendment [XX] Amendment After Final

in the above-identified application. Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted. A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed. Corres. and M

[] No additional fee is required.

______ The fee has been calculated as shown below:

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[XX] Conditional Petition for Extension of Time

If any extension of time for a response is required applicant requests that this be considered a petition therefor.

[XX] It is hereby petitioned for an extension of time in accordance with 37 CFR 1.136(a). The appropriate fee required by 37 CFR 1.17 is calculated as shown below:

Small Entity

Response Filed Within

[XX] First - \$ 55.00

Second - \$200.00

- \$460.00 [] Third

[] Fourth - \$720.00

Other Than Small Entity Response Filed Within

[] First - \$ 110.00

Second - \$ 400.00

Third - \$ 920.00

Fourth - \$1440.00

) already paid for [] Less fees (\$ months extension of time on

[] Please charge my Deposit Account No. 02-4035 in the amount of \$___ ____. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

[] A check in the amount of \$_ is attached (check no.

[XX] Credit Card Payment Form, PTO-2038, authorizing payment in the amount of \$ 55.00 is attached.

[XX] The Commissioner is hereby authorized and requested to charge any additional fees which may be required in connection with this application or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-4035. This authorization and request is not limited to payment of all fees associated with this communication, including any Extension of time fee, not covered by check or specific authorization, but is also intended to include all fees for the presentation of extra claims under 37 CFR Section 1.16 and all patent processing fees under 37 CFR Section 1.17 throughout the prosecution of the case. This blanket

authorization does not include patent issue fees under 37 CFR Section 1.18.

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